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ANNOUNCEMENTS

FROM THE BISHOP

JESUS OF MONTREAL

Communicating the teachings of Jesus effectively to our own time and culture is a demanding mission. As I worship in congregations, I experience the many and varied ways such communication is conducted. I also experience this communication in other ways: through books which I read, through interactions which I have with people, and sometimes through entertainment, such as concerts and movies.

I had such an experience recently when I watched the movie, "Jesus of Montreal". Besides being well acted and well crafted, the power of the movie for me was how the teachings of Jesus, his life, death and resurrection, were interpreted for our own day. Evil was honestly identified in our own culture. The past was used to illuminate the present, and the present, the past. The teachings of Jesus spoke to the needs of people as they faced life today.

May we all be such effective communicators!

Lowell E. Knutson, Bishop

WELCOME TO OUR 1990-91 INTERNS

The following interns have been assigned to our synod. Please welcome them when you have the opportunity:

Donna Wright
Cross of Christ, Bellevue
Scott Jakel
Central, Bellingham
Scott Kramer
Trinity, Lynnwood
Rebecca Lucky
First, Mt. Vernon
R. Don Wright
St. Matthew's, Renton
Caroline Engelbrecht
Immanuel, Seattle
Thomas Holtey
Peace, Seattle
Sally Smith
Maple Leaf, Seattle

We bid a fond "adieu" to our 1989-90 interns!

LUTHERAN LAY RENEWAL

At the 1990 Synod Assembly, a resolution was passed entitled LUTHERAN LAY RENEWAL INTERNATIONAL, which included the following "resolved":

BE IT RESOLVED, that all delegates, pastors, associates in ministry, laypersons and others encourage their respective church councils/congregations to order a free packet of information and consider sponsoring a Lutheran Lay Renewal for their congregation.

To order the free introductory packet, write to Lutheran Lay Renewal, 3517 H Avenue, Anacortes, WA 98221; 293-3760.



MORE ANNOUNCEMENTS

INSTALLATION OF NEW PRESIDENT-DIRECTOR CHURCH COUNCIL OF GREATER SEATTLE

A formal installation service for the Rev. ELAINE J.W. STANOVSKY, newly elected President-Director of the Church Council of Greater Seattle, will be held on Sunday, September 16, at 4:00 p.m. at St. Mark's Episcopal Cathedral, 1245-10th Ave. East, Seattle.

This important ecumenical celebration will mark the initiation of a new era of local ecumenical leadership, as Rev. Stanovsky succeeds long-time Church Council leader, the Rev. Dr. William B. Cate. The public is invited.

A series of dinners will follow the installation, to be held on ten weekday evenings from Sept. 17-28, providing opportunity for public dialogue with Rev. Stanovsky about her vision for the work of the Church Council in the years ahead. Call 525-1213 for further information on these dinners.

SAVE THIS DATE!!

BISHOP'S CONVOCATION

OCTOBER 17

9:00 am - 3:30 pm

Luther Memorial, Seattle

BOY SCOUT RELIGIOUS AWARDS

All congregations are encouraged to participate in the Lutheran scouting award program explained on the enclosed flyer. This is a program of the Lutheran Association of Scouters, a national organization promoting the Boy Scout of America programs as a youth ministry and community outreach for Lutheran churches.

The awards are available to Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Camp Fire and 4-H members. Nominations are always invited for adults who would qualify for the Lamb Award.

AIDS SUPPORT GROUP FORMS

Nativity Lutheran in Renton and the Multi-Faith AIDS Project of Seattle (MAPS) announce the formation of a new support group for South King County residents who are family, friends and caregivers of people living with AIDS.

The group is designed to provide a place and Christian presence where participants can meet for support as they work through some of the difficult issues they are experiencing. The Rev. Neal Kuyper, director emeritus of the Presbyterian Counseling Center in Seattle and founder of Divorce Lifeline, has volunteered to facilitate the group, which is being offered without charge.

The support group will meet weekly beginning August 16, from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. at Nativity, 17707-140th Ave. SE. Interested persons may contact Debby Beck, 228-5464.

LAMP PASTORS OPEN S.E. ALASKA BASE

Two pastors employed by the Lutheran Association of Missionaries and Pilots were installed by the Alaska Synod in Anchorage on May 6. They are Rev. KENNETH OLSON, pastor/skipper of the M/V "Christian", a 67-foot ship newly purchased by LAMP, and Rev. ROGER VEGDAHL, pastor/pilot at the new LAMP base in Wrangell, Alaska.

Roger and Ken will share the ministry at Island of Faith Lutheran in Wrangell, and conduct their complementary ministries by boat and float plane.

CONTINUING EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

PASTORAL SABBATICAL

Good Samaritan Hospital in Puyallup offers a 6- to 12-month sabbatical for parish pastors in need of a significant time away from parish duties. Participants are supported by the Good Samaritan staff and a partial stipend. An opportunity will be available beginning December 1. For further information, contact Pastor Jon Petersen, Director of Pastoral Care, 848-6661, ext. 1781.

MORE CONTINUING ED

LITE ANNOUNCES FALL SCHEDULE

Preaching/Evangelism Helps Offered. The popular seminar, "Imagination in Preaching-Worship-Evangelism" is being offered October 4-5 at Grace, Des Moines. Cost is \$70 including lunches each day, handouts, and tuition. Registration brochure coming soon; deadline to register Sept. 25.

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AAL & LITE Financial Planning Seminars. These one-day seminars are designed for all rostered persons in any year of their ministry and their spouses. Take advantage of this concentrated time to plan an effective use of your personal finances. Registration is \$25/person or \$30/couple. Watch for more information.

Retreat for Male Clergy. An opportunity for male clergy to focus on the connection between male sexuality and masculine spirituality, especially as it relates to pastors and their ministry. "Sexuality, Spirituality and the Pastor" begins with a two-day retreat, October 10-11 at St. Matthew, Edmonds, followed with six weekly 90-minute Wednesday sessions (10:30 am to noon). Registration is limited to 10 participants at a cost of \$285 per person (including lodging, meals, materials, program, and administrative fees).

Call the LITE office for information on the above programs, 535-7342.

SPIRITUALITY, SPIRITUAL ABUSE & RECOVERY

St. Luke Medical Center in Bellevue presents this workshop to introduce the latest discoveries in spiritual recovery and growth. The workshop is designed to provide both information and recovery skills for anyone concerned about spiritual issues, especially clergy and other professional church workers, abuse victims and families, therapists and

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Continuing Education Hours

Continuing Education in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America is intended to equip those in leadership roles so that the whole body of Christ may better carry out God's mission.

The ELCA expects a minimum of twenty-five (25) contact hours annually in continuing education. A contact hour is defined as a typical fifty-minute classroom instructional session or the equivalent.

Clergy and Associates in Ministry are to work with their staff support committee annually in planning, reviewing and recording their continuing education activities and hours. These continuing education endeavors are also to be reported annually to the synodical bishop.

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counselors, people in recovery and families, survivors & families.

The workshop will be held October 6, 9 am to 4 pm, at St. Andrew's, Bellevue. Dr. Richard Anderson, a counselor and relapse prevention therapist, whose doctoral degree is in Pastoral Care & Counseling with a focus on addiction recovery and spirituality will lead

the workshop. Cost is \$50 before September 15 and \$60 after. Call 455-5515 for more information.

SEARCH BIBLE STUDY GOES TO ISRAEL

A 13-day trip to the Holy Land, which will follow the SEARCH Bible study format, is set for March 6-18, 1991. Participants will follow the path of the children of Israel as they journeyed to the promised land. Lectures and small-group study sessions will be supplemented with four presentations on the current Palestinian and Israeli political situation. Group members will meet with pastors in Jordan and Israel, and visit Lutheran World Federation offices and projects. Tour leaders are Ruth Hansen, SEARCH facilitator in Region 3, and Marvin Roloff, director of education resources for Augsburg Fortress.

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SEARCH TOUR TO ISRAEL (cont.)

Cost is \$1,560, based on New York departure (other departures can be arranged). Includes hotel and two meals/day. For a registration brochure, contact Ruth Larson, 8765 W. Higgins Road, Chicago, IL 60631; 800/638-3522, ext. 2598. Space is limited; register early!

WANT ADS

MUSIC POSITIONS OPEN

Pipe Organist. \$2,700/year. Submit resumes to Our Saviour's Lutheran Church, 1717 McKenzie Ave., Bellingham, WA 98225.

Organist and/or Accompanist. One service and one rehearsal/week. Send resume to St. Andrew's Lutheran Church, 2650-148th Ave SE, Bellevue, WA 98007.

Children's Choir Director. Provide musical leadership in the formation and development of children's choirs to train and engage young singers, grades 1-6, in the worship and music life of the church. September-June, 5 hours/week, \$150/month. Call Mark Erickson, Minister of Music, to arrange an interview, 778-2159.

SLIDE PROJECTOR NEEDED

Clarence Solberg is seeking a projector and cassette(s) for 35 mm slides to purchase or rent, or on a loan basis, for use in presenting the cause of Namibia. Contact him at 542-1391.

OUTDOOR MINISTRIES EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Lutheran Outdoor Ministries of Florida has an opening for an Executive Director to provide leadership and direction for the development and implementation of programming, physical facilities, and financial structure. Salary and housing \$40,000 or site home, ELCA health and pension, social security, car provided. Send resume to Rev. Paul Christ, Lutheran Outdoor Ministries of Florida, 5909-53rd Ave. East, Bradenton, FL 34203; (813) 753-9365. Application deadline Sept. 1.

UPCOMING EVENTS

"STEWARDSHIP AS A WAY OF LIFE"

Congregations have received registration brochures for the annual stewardship retreat September 21-22 at LBI. This two-day retreat, designed by the synod Stewardship Committee, is designed to give participants an opportunity to have time away to discuss and learn about what stewardship means in each person's life. Congregations are encouraged to send couples to help strengthen each other in their stewardship awareness. Intensive study of theological and Biblical fundamentals of personal and corporate stewardship will be explored.

Deadline to register is September 7; cost is \$50/person or \$90/couple, or a \$35 commuter fee. Questions? Call John Breen, 524-2322.

PARENTING FOR PEACE AND JUSTICE

A family enrichment and leadership training workshop for whole families, parents, educators, and others working with families will be held Saturday, October 20 at St. James Cathedral,

Seattle. "Nurturing Families in a World of Conflict" will concentrate on conflict resolution in the home, concern for the earth, the global family, and working for world peace. The workshop will be preceded by a special program

for religious educators on October 19 at the Catholic Charities building.



Both programs will be led by Kathleen and James McGinnis, parents and nationally known educators, and coordinators of the Parenting for Peace and Justice Network. The Northwest Washington Synod is one of the co-sponsors of this event. For more information, contact the McGinnises at the Institute for Peace & Justice, 4144 Lindell, St. Louis, MO 63108, (314) 533-4445; or Ming Chen, 112 N 83rd St, Seattle, WA 98103; 783-6028.

REFORMATION FESTIVAL OCTOBER 28

Archibishop Thomas Murphy, Archdiocese of Seattle, will be the speaker for the annual Catholic/Lutheran Reformation Festival on Sunday, October 28, at Gethsemane Lutheran. A similar format to previous years will be used, including lecture/discussion in the afternoon, supper, and an evening festival worship. Mark your calendar!

A VISION FOR MUTUAL MINISTRY

This workshop for all synod clergy, staff persons, and congregational leaders, will be held Saturday, November 10, 9 am to 3:30 pm at Faith, Bellingham. Workshop facilitators will be Dr. Eldon Olson, Director of Consultation to Clergy, and Rev. Kathy Hawks, pastor of St. Stephen Lutheran in Seattle.

Good communication is vital to effective ministry, and many congregations have found Mutual Ministry Committees to be an important vehicle in facilitating good communication and mutual support of one another and their staff members.

Second in a series of workshops sponsored by our synod's Leadership Support Committee, this workshop will provide an opportunity to learn how mutual ministry committees work, how to form them, and what they can do for the ministry of your congregation. Look for registration forms in the mail, or contact Sherry Kiefel, 392-4169, or Karen Grimsby, 823-2727.

PRE-RETIREMENT PLANNING SEMINARS

Pre-retirement planning seminars for clergy over 55 years of age and their spouses are planned on the following dates and locations:

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| Nov. 15 | Federal Way |
| Nov. 16 | Portland |
| Nov. 17 | Spokane |
| Nov. 19 | Boise |

Registration is limited to 20 couples per site. The Rev. Manfred Holck, Jr., will present the Board of Pensions options, and will be available for
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PRE-RETIREMENT SEMINARS (cont.)

individual counseling sessions. All costs, including lunch, will be covered by the synod.

To allow adequate time for the Board of Pensions computation of benefits and the Social Security system response, registrations must be made through the synod office no later than September 10. Please CALL TODAY, 783-9292, as spaces will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis.

Session for Spouses who are divorced from clergy--We have arranged for Manfred Holck to be present the afternoon of Sunday, November 18 in the Federal Way/Seattle area. He will attempt to answer your concerns and questions about your status and options.

SYNOD/REGIONAL FAMILY

Please keep in your prayers the family of Pat Christensen, whose father passed away in July, Everett Jensen recovering from heart surgery, and Randy Sinn recovering from a broken leg . . . We rejoice with Bishop David and Elisabeth Wold who became grandparents of Elisabeth Marie (named for her maternal Grandma Elisabeth Wold) on July 23 in Norway. The Wolds were present for the blessed event . . . Members of First, Bothell and Trinity, Lynnwood are traveling to Yakima to help build homes with Habitat for Humanity August 19-25 . . . Six members of Cross of Christ, Bellevue, joined 14 ELCA youth, young adults and leaders on a work trip to Helsinki, Estonia, and Leningrad . . . Sitka Lutheran Church, our region's oldest congregation, is celebrating their 150th anniversary on September 2. Featured guest speaker will be John Lindsay, pastor at St. James, Seattle, and former pastor at Sitka. Anyone wishing to send a congratulatory note may write to Pastor Michael Meier, Sitka Lutheran Church, P O Box 598, Sitka, AK 99835; (907) 747-3338.

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CALENDAR

September

- 3 LABOR DAY--OFFICE CLOSED
- 5 Cluster Deans meeting, Synod Office, 10 am-2 pm
- 6 Finance Committee, Prince of Peace No., 6 pm
- 6 Board of Social Concerns, LSSW Office, 9:30 am
- 8 Sno-King Cluster Council, 9:30 am,
Light of the Cross, Bothell
- 8 Leadership Support Committee,
Trinity, Lynnwood, 9 am-noon
- 12 Church Council Training Task Force,
Regional Office, 9 am
- 12 Commission on Ecumenical Affairs,
St. John, Seattle, 1:30 pm
- 15-16 Regional Coordinating Council
- 16-18 Inter-synodical staff retreat
- 21-22 Stewardship Retreat, LBI
- 22 SYNOD COUNCIL, Prince of Peace, Everett, 9 am-4 pm
- 29 Synod WELCA Convention, Gethsemane, Seattle

October

- 2 Finance Committee, Prince of Peace No, 6 pm
- 7 Sno-King Cluster Mission90 event,
St. Matthew's, Edmonds, 1:30 pm
- 17 BISHOP'S CONVOCATION, Luther Memorial, Seattle

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| Jack F. Hustad | Div. for Global Mission | 08/03/90 |
| June Nilssen | University, Seattle | 11/01/90 |
| Philip E. Petrasek | Calvary, Seattle | 09/16/90 |
| AIM APPOINTMENT(S) | | |
| Gail (Nikki) Martin | Bethany, Bainbridge Is. | 09/01/90 |
| INSTALLATION(S) | | |
| Gail (Nikki) Martin | Bethany, Bainbridge Is. | 09/02/90 |
| Philip E. Petrasek | Calvary, Seattle | 09/23/90 |
| ANNIVERSARY | | |
| St. Matthew's, Edmonds | 35th | 09/90 |
| St. Luke, Bellevue | Groundbreaking | 09/09/90 |
| ORDINATION(S) | | |
| None this month | | |
| RESIGNATION(S) | | |
| Philip E. Petrasek | Peace, Seattle | 09/10/90 |
| RETIREMENT(S) | | |
| None this month | | |
| TRANSFER(S) IN/OUT OF SYNOD | | |
| Gail (Nikki) Martin from Oregon Synod | | 09/01/90 |
| June Nilssen from SE Wisconsin Synod | | 11/01/90 |
| CONGREGATIONS IN CALL PROCESS | | |
| CP=Congregational Profile | NV=New Vacancy Int=Interim I=Interviewing C=Calling | |
| Everett, Central | Int Paul Running, Int | |
| Everett, Our Savior's | NV David Parks, Pastor | |
| Everett, Trinity | C Robert Schultz, Int | |
| Kirkland, Trinity | Int Susan Kylo, Int | |
| Seattle, Gethsemane (Assoc) | C Paul Eriks, Pastor | |
| Seattle, Glendale (Assoc) | CP Arnie Anderson, Pastor | |
| Seattle, NE Seattle Lutheran | | |
| Youth Association | NV | |
| Seattle, Peace | NV | |
| Seattle, St. Paul's | Int | |

NEW TOLL-FREE TELEPHONE NUMBER
FOR THE SYNOD OFFICE
1-800-244-NWWS